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http://www.worldofradio.com/dxpgms.html

HITLIST UPDATE

Hi Glenn, My latest Hitlist update.
https://www.w4uvh.net/hitlist.htm

1) Iran – IRIB/Voice of Iran: Deleted entry to frequencies as page no longer exists; Added link to new home page for Iran Radio (which perhaps may be gradually replacing the old home page). (Thanks to Tony Rogers)

2) USA – WTWW: Added entry to hitlist

The next update is scheduled for early February
Happy New Year and 73, Alan Roe

** ASCENSION. I am unusually bandscanning between 05 & 06 UT Dec 27, so some `new` frequencies catch my attn on 49m, in unknown language: 6170 at 0525 and 6135 at 0538. HFCC shows both are in Hausa, half an hour each, VOA first and BBC second. Convenient pair, could be same transmitter? Both are on a 547 antenna, but VOA is 250 kW at 27 degrees, and BBC is 125 kW at 65 degrees – quite a disparity. 65 aims at the SE corner of Nigeria, but 27 aims at Ivory Coast considerably to the west of any Nigeria. HFCC antenna reference shows 547 is ``EHR(S)2/2/0.8`` whatever that mean.

Hausa is a language for which I have no ``feel`` at all – there must be some keywords to recognize it, like however they say ``this is`` as in an ID. Did Dr Richard E Wood`s language recognition series ever cover Hausa? Don`t call me Hausar. Google translates ``This is the Voice of America`` as ``Wannan ita ce Muryar Amurka`` but I don`t know if they axually say that. It`s mainly spoken in northern Nigeria but also: ``Hausa is one of Africa's most commonly spoken languages after Arabic, French, English, Portuguese, and Swahili. It is a lingua franca and a language of trade in West Africa. It is spoken in Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Eritrea, Germany, Ghana, Niger, Sudan, and Togo`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** AUSTRIA. Am 24.12.2024 um 19:56 schrieb Glenn Hauser via groups.io: ``At 1844+ I check UTwente. All of them are in music, except 9635.000– German talk! Later they are all talking but 9635 does not match. Must be way out of synch at Moosbrunn, why?`` Roger Thauer replies:

``The main program from 1900–2100 was advertised as “via NDR Info + NDR Info Spezial”. However, their program differed 1 hour before.
– NDR Info: “1 h warm up”
– NDR Info Spezial: Children's program “MIKADO”.
The 9635 kHz had therefore been fed incorrectly.`` And:

On 27/12/2024 08:18, Uwe Volk wrote: ``Hello a-dxer, due to “duplicity of events” I was forced to record the above program. Listening to the recording today (9635 kHz), an obvious glitch of the NDR came to light: From 1800–1900 UT, “Mikado – Das Radio für Kinder” was broadcast. “Gruß an Bord” then afterwards from 1900 UT. Did nobody else notice this glitch? Many greetings, Uwe``.

As Richard Langley points out, the same Kinder hour and even worse mixups about `Gruß an Bord` happened in 2021 (Glenn Hauser, WOR)

** BRAZIL. 9818.6, Dec 27 at 0756, JBA signature off-frequency of R.

Nove de Julho; meanwhile, R Voz Missionária loud enough on 9665v. Wolfgang Bueschel precised it Dec 25 at 0208 on 9818.588 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** BRAZIL. 11780, Jan 1 at 0202, RNA still on, VG S9+15/35 with music, and weak 6180 unseems //; would it stay on another hour so we might witness the advent of 2025y into Brasil? NO, off before 0250 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** BRAZIL. 6009.96 approx., Jan 1 at 0740, S6/S8 music and Brazuguese talk, as R. Inconfidência is more audible than usual and always on signature off-frequency-minus.

** BRAZIL. 28411 USB, Jan 1 at 2305, PY2FZ, Bono calling CQ DX, working USA including a KF4. ``My friend`` etc., etc., but get the contact over and ``bye`` in no more than one minute. This applies to many. QRZ.com: ``PY2FZ Brazil flag Brazil, Helio "Bono" Bono, Avenida Antenor de Almeida, 3-199, Condominio Chacara Odete, Bauru, SP, 17047590, Brazil``

Anyhow, nice to still get trans-equatorial DX on 10m even when the K index be way up, 6+, and 8 at 1800.

28458 USB, Jan 1 at 2307, PY4MDO, CQ DX, working a KC2 in USA. From Minas Gerais. QRZ.com refers us to: ``PU4MDO Brazil flag Brazil, Marcio Oliveira, P.Box 310, Extrema, MG 37640970, Brazil`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CANADA [non]. 6060, Jan 1 at 0300, `Pop Shop Radio` NYE special, rock music, 250 kW from Woofferton UK to North America, S8/9+10 into Maryland SDR; at 0313 direct S9+5/25 - of course our S-meters are not correlated. 0316 announcement from DJ Tony Pavick. 0327 interjects ``Slava Ukraini``. Was going to conclude hour with a ``shortwave radiogram``, as Kim Elliott`s naming seems to have become generic (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CHINA [non]. 9790, Dec 31 at 0447, CRI Cantonese relay via CUBA is S9+10/20 but very suptorted. Something`s always wrong at RadioCuba (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR) See also CUBA

** COLOMBIA. 10125 CW, Jan 1 at 0148, HK3QQ, Bogotá, still going with the fraxured keyboard letters starting with QWETYUIOX... (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** COLOMBIA. 28455 USB, Jan 1 at 2310, HK1T calling QRZ, CQ. QRZ.com: ``HK1T Colombia flag Colombia, Salim (Sal) Gechem R., Barranquilla, Atlántico, Colombia`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CUBA [and non]. 1040, Dec 27 at 0533 UT, wobbler/whooper audible under WHO, and likewise under 870 WWL. The other side:

``With blackouts across more than half of Cuba, the Government presented its program to restore the electro-energy system. However, the recent remarks by the Minister of Energy and Mines before the National Assembly, and reality, augur more darkness than light for Cubans. Madrid 24 Dic 2024 - 13:50 CET

Speaking before the National Assembly of Popular Power, Cuba's Minister of Energy and Mines, Vicente de la O Levy, presented the Government's program to overhaul the national electricity system on Thursday, while the country suffered the worst electricity deficit of 2024, amounting to 1,771 MW...``
https://diariodecuba.com/cuba/1735044614_59040.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CUBA [and non]. 870, Dec 30 at 0413, fast wobbler vs WWL; none vs 1040 WHO now as it accuses Biden, Obama of crimes. Screw WHO. What would Ronald Reagan say? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CUBA [and non]. 870, Dec 31 at 0450 UT, whooper/wobbler mixing with WWL, none vs 1040 WHO right now (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CUBA. 9790, Dec 30 at 0348, CRI relay S9+30 but only a trace of suptorted modulation at peaks, seems English; same at 0448 recheck when presumably Cantonese. Something`s always wrong at RadioCuba (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR) See also CHINA [non]

** CUBA. 11930, Dec 31 at 0448, pulse jamming vs no Martí, slower rate than usual, and very little else on 25m band (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CUBA. 5980, Jan 1 at 0737, pulse jamming against nothing, a Radio Martí frequency only scheduled at 11-14; it`s the `slower & longer` pulsing, at the rate of roughly 40x per minute, but slightly irregular. And now there is no WWCR leapfrog mixing product to hit, since 5890 is not on to sault over 5935 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** CUBA [and non]. 5025, Jan 1 at 0735, R. Rebelde is off; mostly lately had been on with weakened signal. Now there is a JBA carrier on 5020, no doubt SOLOMON ISLANDS starting to fade in (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** DOMINICA. 24970 USB, Dec 39 at 1608, OSOB is a YL? voice calling CQ from Dominica, but could not copy call. DXHeat around same time shows many contacts circa 24975 with J75K. QRZ.com: yes, there is now a DXpedition to Dominica until 4 Jan with this call, address in Italy: https://www.qrz.com/db/J75K
``J75K Dominica flag Dominica, Luca Polese Serafini, VIA D.MANIN, 13, ROVEREDO IN PIANO, PN 33080, Italy`` -- I think Luca is not a YL name, but would explain the strange stress of ``do-MINN-ee-kah`` while a native would pronounce it ``do-mih-NEE-kah``. Official website: https://j75k.jimdofree.com/
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** EAST TURKISTAN. 5060, 4980, 4850, 4500, Jan 1 at 0136, JBA carriers, weaker little by little from top to bottom, the PBS Xinjiang quad from Urumqi, a.k.a. Xinjiang RTV, four different language services in the land of imperialist Chicom genocide against Uyghurs and other Moslems (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** EGYPT [non]. 9440, Dec 28 at 2115 and later, NO signal into UTwente from R. Cairo in English. Something`s always amiss at Abis (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** GUATEMALA. 4052.5 or 4055 kHz, part of nightly bandscans in case TGAV should reappear, nothing yet. And maybe never: received this Dec 28 from Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, my translation:

``Hello Glenn, several months ago, the alleged reactivation of Radio Verdad, Chiquimula, Guatemala, on their frequency of 4055 kHz was discussed. As you well know, el Sr. Édgar Amílcar Madrid, after the short wave transmitter stopped working years ago, was allegedly deceived by someone who sold him a fictitious short wave system via satellite and with a multitude of minitransmitters distributed throughout the world, so that the station could be heard on 4055 kHz at any hour of the day or of the night and in any place of the world, the system that after months and months of deception, and asking for money, evidently never worked.

Upon giving up on what I understand was a fraudulent and fictitious project, it seems that he decided to resume SW with a new transmitter.

In the month of September I got in contact with him to find out how the project was going, and he replied:

"I am awaiting a new very modern transmitter, very soon. It`s 1,200 watts, computerized, made in Frankfurt, Germany. We already have the antenna on hand, also modern, and some accessories are also arriving. I don't know exactly when the transmitter will arrive in Guatemala, but it will be later. We have already paid for everything, and we are seeing problems with customs charges.

When we get the transmitter, we will see first of all the installations and then we plan to inaugurate it in Chiquimula. We have been assisted by engineer Ernesto Santizo, in the United States.

Unfortunately, there has been a lot of opposition to this project. We don`t want to announce anything yet. Once it`s installed, I`ll inform DXers in order to get their reports.

Thank you for your interest in Radio Verdad."

Yesterday, the 27th of December, I sent him a new email to see if the reactivation of Radio Verdad would be imminent, and his response was this:

"It seems that the transmitter is arriving already in Mexico. Right now they are demanding money I don`t have in order to send it and I don`t know how I am going to do that. Thank you for your interest. May God bless and protect you."

The truth is that everything seems to indicate, I hope it's not like this and I'm mistaken, that the same or other people who scammed the system via satellite, are doing it again with this new short wave transmitter. I have searched on Google and not found any manufacturer of short wave transmitters in Frankfurt, Germany, although there could be one, and the manner of asking him for money, now telling him that the transmitter is in Mexico and that he needs to pay more, while before he said that he had everything paid, reminds me very much of what happened before.

Cordial greetings, and a very happy 2025, Manuel Méndez``

It seems ``Ernesto Santizo`` is too common a name, search ranging from a professor of medicine in Guatemala to an inmate in North Carolina. The word santizo literally means ``I sanctify`` -- earnestly (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** GUATEMALA. Now Dr. Madrid is backtracking about the new SW transmitter for R. Verdad. He had been saying it was in Mexico being held up for customs duty? Now he says it`s still in Europe, as received Dec 30 by Gabriel Gómez, Uruguay: ``Radio Verdad Internacional --- Todavía estamos en vueltas de traer el transmisor desde Europa. Gracias por su interés. Cuando salgamos al aire por onda corta lo informaré en Facebook. Édgar Madrid, Radio Verdad Internacional -- Rte CX7BI- CX0001 Gabriel`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** JAPAN. 28465 USB, Dec 27 at 2310, JG1HQA in Tokyo where it`s 8:10 am Saturday. QRZ.com: ``JG1HQA Japan flag Japan, KOHJI SATO, 13-12 HEMIGAOKA, YOKOSUKA-CITY, KANAGAWA 238-0044, Japan`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** KURDISTAN [non]. 11530.0 & 11540.0, Dec 30 at 0438, two JBA signals are the OSOB = only signals on band, in degraded propagation. Since not 11529.9, must not be Hikari FM pirate. EiBi shows both could be Dengê Gel via ARMENIA and Turkish jammer starting at 0400. But which is which now? JBA talk on 11530, and 11540 JBA carrier is soon gone

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** MEXICO. 660, Dec 27 at 2315 UT, dominant signal is Spanish with spirited sportstalk, on my N/S antenna only. Must be XEFZ Monterrey, the only sports format in Mexico or USA (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** MEXICO. 720, Dec 30 at 0756 UT, ``lo que quieres escuchar, La Lupe, 105.7``, overcoming WGN. That`s XEDE Saltillo, Coahuila, 8000/250 watts per IRCA Mexican Log (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** MEXICO. 970, Dec 30 at 0745 UT, romantic songs in Spanish. DFed toward WSW so not CDMX Fórmula; yes, it`s XEJ Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, 0752 ``La Jota Mejicana 9-70`` with horny music. Dominant and easypullby local 960 KGWA. IRCA Mex Log lax that slogan. It`s news/talk but also lots of music. 1/1 kW. But NRC Pattern Book showed ND with larger daytime circle (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** MEXICO. 1570, UT Mon Dec 30 at 0453, `Coahuila en La Hora Nacional` mentioned at least thrice, refers to ``el año viejo, el año nuevo``; extolling some aspect of the estado. Not // 1140, 1050, of course. QRM from KBCV MO, more or less mutually nullable, q.v. 0500 full ID ``Desde lal tierra de amistad, Ciudad Acuña, Coahuila, XERF, La Poderosa`` and station`s own song, neat. Note: my log a biweek ago misplaced this in Black Stones, which is across from Paso Aguilar, while XERF is of course across from Of the River (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 7475, Dec 30 at 0451, S9/+10, thin voice of Josiah detectable with Yahweh stuff, so pirate, Station YHWH (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6960 USB, Jan 1 at 0121, I start NYE pirate monitoring direct: rock/soul music S9+25. 0130 Wolverine Radio ID with echo, into SSTV. ID showed a guy hanging onto a rock on a cliff?: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,139198.0.html As usual had stronger signal than the others. Maybe it went off but later something on 6960, below (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6849.92 AM, Jan 1 at 0123, rock music S9+5. 0215 still on but too weak. Reported here as Liquid Radio on ``6850 AM``: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,139196.0.html (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6960 USB, Jan 1 at 0147 algo, assumed still Wolverine, but per this, was succeded by Drunken DJ Radio at 0132: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,139198.0.html (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6950 USB, Jan 1 at 0125, S9+15 of talk, drama? with music; ``America the Beautiful``; some clicking QRM at rate of one per second like timesignal, maybe out of 6938 open carrier? 0128 YL ``pirate radio``, John Poet studying one year of rock `n` roll songs; ``psychotherapy`` repeated over and over, ``I am a teenage dope fiend``. 0131 blues. 0139 SSTV, talk, off by 0200 ; but something there at 0215 check. Logs of Outhouse Radio here but none after 0125: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,139195.0.html (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6955 USB, Jan 1 at 0142, talking over music, ``I hear some static out there in the ionosphere``. 0145 spells http://splatterbox.us/sycko on 6955 relays pronounced ``psycho``; sounds drunk, music. 0136 ``The Sycko New Years Eve broadcast``, past 0200, still on at 0215. Many logs here: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,139201.0.html splatterbox above leads to music stream at 0455, ``Sycko Radio NYE

broadcast extravaganza, let`s do it.`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6925 USB, Jan 1 at 0215, yet another pirate, JBA music. unID, or Big Sky Radio: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,139202.0.html (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6960 AM, Jan 1 at 2317, pirate music S9 but no match for noise level, OSOB. Many unID reports here with playlists: https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,139275.0.html (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** OKLAHOMA. After a few days, rechecking my local Enid AM & FM pirates, Dec 27 circa 2025 UT:

95.1, $tereo pilot of seemingly mono mostly Xmasmx, full quieting for only a few blox in downtown Enid. One tune includes notes like the chimes of Big Ben.

1670, at Box 1684 HQ, USPS on Broadway, loops directly east/west. Driving west on B`way it doesn`t really strengthen, and near intersexion of Jackson & B`way loops about S/SSW; several blox further west at Fillmore & B`way loops about S/SSE. This doesn`t really make sense. Perhaps instead of emitting from a single source, Virtual DJ Radio relay be coming out of power or other utility/cable lines of which there are plenty (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WOR)

** OKLAHOMA. 95.1, Dec 30 circa 2100 UT I`m on some errands downtown including Box 1684, as the `pirate` Xmasmx continues here. Then I drive by north/back side of Garfield County Courthouse, and see several signs: ``OG&E / Tree of lights / 95.1 / provided by Sudlow Engineering``. No wonder the signal has been peaking at downtown. This is a cone of lights-only making the ``tree``, with several black boxes around it, maybe including transmitter. I originally did hear an announcement about Downtown Enid, but since then never anything about what`s on the signs. Presumably Part 15 sufficiently low-power not to require license. A view of it here as apparently also employed for some live music:
https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=1096711485798525&id=100063790501902&set=a.436507348485612
``Facebook · Downtown Enid & Main Street Enid
10+ reactions · 1 month ago
OG&E Tree of Lights 95.1 from www.facebook.com
OG+E Courthouse Lawn Tree of Lights & Sudlow Lights Show Tune into 95.1 to enjoy the show from your car. You can also enjoy the show while ...`` Presumably this 95.1 will soon be turned off, reopening channel for CP of KOKJ-LP.

Not to be confused with a much larger ``tree`` a few blox south, the ``Christ`` or ``The One`` which is totally artificial but claims to be the tallest anywhere, but no FM known. WWJS? That`s a wacko promotion by Kyle Williams of KGWA and convenience gas stations, and now a movie is being made around it starring `Martin Sheen`, straining my respect for him (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WOR)

** OKLAHOMA. 1670, Dec 31 circa 2130 UT, Virtual DJ Radio still going, strongest where first discovered in the CVS parking lot at NE corner of S. Van Buren, and W. Owen K. Garriott. Rock music, not especially Xmasy now (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WOR) See also UNIDENTIFIED

** OKLAHOMA. 95.1, OG&E Xmas station, and 1670, Virtual DJ Radio, are still running afternoon of Jan 1 circa 21 UT when I am monitoring along US 81 in Enid. Far enough from downtown for KQCV to compete for 95.1, despite site E of Seminole, and IDs as Shawnee-OKC-Tulsa. In fact per radio-locator map, with 100 kW, both OKC and Tulsa are

equally between distant and fringe contours (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WOR)

** OKLAHOMA. Before it`s too late after nominal Xmas, UT Sat Dec 28 about 0015-0145 we visit four Enid Xmas light neighborhoods, two or three of which in past have included sound on Part 15 LP FM transmitters. First, the Singing Xmas Trees at the NE corner of Oak & Oakwood, in a former oil well lot. Different design this year, reduced size of trees but lots of other flashing multi-colored lites, and ``tune to 89.5`` where only a couple of songs in stereo are playing in rotation. Alvin! not included.

The second one in the Pheasant Run neighborhood on the western edge of Garland instead of sound and light show has a scrolling apology that he wasn`t able to build it this year because of a knee injury, hope to next year. Still plenty of nice static lights on trees and house. Two other areas in NW quadrant of Enid, found no FM and not much animation (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WOR)

** OKLAHOMA. 90.1, KUCO, has jumbled its scheduling around without updating all its automation. Sat Dec 28 at 1659 UT, introduces `Reel Music` with funding credit; 1700 really plays `The Opera Show` which has replaced this airing, with ``Amahl & the Night Visitors``. Per skedgrid, `Reel Music` repeat is now Sats 5 pm = 23 UT; original still Fridays 1 pm = 19 UT; complete with annoying ``snack bar`` interruptions (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** OKLAHOMA. RF 17, Dec 28 at 1820 UT, 17-1 of K17JN-D, Enid, 3ABN is still silent a pentaday after last noted, while the other subchannels present both A&V except for those which are audio-only with ``radio`` stations, and still false ID as K17JI-D. This cult really doesn`t have its act together (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** PUERTO RICO. 391 MCW kHz, Dec 27 at 0728 UT, DDP is JBA, but can`t find any other Latin American beacons (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** ROMANIA. 9510, Dec 30 at 0441, VG S9+30/40 hard rock, then `Living Romania`, RRI ID; 0442 ``In the Spotlight`` about international exchanges, Ambassador from USA Kathleen Kavalec awarded ``Order of the Star of Romania``, announcer reads her acceptance speech lauding ``strategic partnership`` between our countries. Later found weaker only S9+20/30 // on 7410 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** ROMANIA. 9510, Dec 31 at 0446, RRI is S9/+10 with mailbag, either `DX Mailbag` or `Listeners` Letterbox`, sked 0442-0452 UT Tues (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** SPAIN. 9690, Fri Dec 27 at 2258, REE is VG direct, S9+30/40; 12030 audible poorly; 17715 & 17755 JBA carriers. 2300 open token English from SNR, to be about circus performers. News starts with analysis by the opposition party of the year in politix; 19/12 more migrants died trying to get into Canary Islands; 10K have died in 2024 including minors/miners. By 2311 interviewing a ``trapeze artist`` who started doing that at age 11 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** SPAIN. 9690, Dec 31 at 2256, REE Spanish VG into Maryland SDR, much weaker on 12030. Chat about uvas = grapes apparently a thing to celebrate NY with. 2300 12 chimes, explosions as 2025y starts in Madrid, 2302 ``Año Nuevo`` song, and lots more upbeat music next semihour. Axually by longitude, Madrid and most of Spain should be on UT, not UT+1 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** SPAIN. 9690, Wed Jan 1 at 2300, token English from SNR, S9+30/40 direct, 12030 sufficient, 17715 & 17755 stronger than usual carriers. No news, but 2024 in review, starting with Spain`s Academy Award nominees; 2313, world`s oldest person who had survived COVID, born in

1907, died 19 Sept 2024 at age 117 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** TURKEY [and non]. 5960, Dec 27 at 2258, NO signal direct from VOT - BUT on 9610 JBA is the TRT IS - so yet again, dozing op at Emirler, where something is always erroneous, failed to turn that off by 2230 and retune transmitter to 5960 for 2300! Not checked further until 2356 via UTwente, NOW 5960+ is on in IS with IDs now in German. Something else is erroneous at Emirler. 2400 TS and start s/on in extraneous German, but chopped after a few seconds, uncovering China with its anthem (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** TURKEY. 9610, Sat Dec 28 at 2143, VOT English eastward, VG off the back S9+5/25 into UTwente, with `The Energy Agenda`, somehow relating the Hamas attack on Israel `13` months ago to energy, and Lebanon having been subject to Israel attax since 2003. 2147 multi-lingual ID filler reel. Heavy splash from China on 9600, second-adjacent, music. 2200 TRTVOTVorld promo, `Turkey`s Geomarked Products` about what? Sounded like wood-packages, or was it tanager woodpecker meatballs?? over already at 2203 into music, so tune out for something else. Can pick up the rest a sesquihour later?

[non] 5960, Sat Dec 28 at 2300 and further chex rest of hour, NO signal into UTwente from VOT English for NAm; nor on possible overtime accidental alternate, 9610, rather Chinese and Mongolian. Something`s always erroneous at Emirler (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** TURKEY. 9610.006, Sun Dec 29 at 2130, VOT English VP into UTwente beamed away altho can be VG off the back. I don`t try to catch `Letterbox` during this one. 2219 s/off with sked of several if not all English broadcasts instead of the 1330 only! And off 2220* before any IS.

At 2040, Sebastian Schlueter posted to the WOR iog: ``Hello, just a quick info/question: I was just listening to the Voice of Türkiye English on 6050 khz with their letterbox program and unless I completely misunderstood (or did not get the joke) they said that this was the last letterbox program ever, i.e. they will not continue in 2025. Does anybody know anything about it? I think the speaker said something about structural changes happening at TRT right now. Best regards, Sebastian``

[and non]. 5960.004-, Sun Dec 29 at 2255, VOT English manages to be on the air with IS, S9+15/25 into UTwente; 2300 sign-on as if the 1330 on 13635: something`s always awry at Ankara. Leading the olds, the plane crash in Korea South by the time the toll was almost 100% - but too old to mention that Jimmy Carter had died a few hours before now [RIP!]. 2317 music.

2320 start `Letterbox` cold, no theme and canned intro/outro! Host is very hurried, apparently winging it, as usual hard to perceive just whom he is calling, and there is CCCCCCI. Does say the ``Yellow Rock`` announcer is not there any longer -- that was Halil --- who once explained that was literal meaning of his name. This other OM says he did L`box a few weeks ago. 2) someone from Netherlands wants info. 2329 already time for a song, by Michael Jaxon, ``Don`t stop --`` [tuned away a bit to check WOR]. 2328 4?) Mohammed Bashir, Pakistan, a regular, wants calendar - I think host indicated not available. 5?) someone from a Bengal. 2331 another song already, this from UK, not Turkish again!

Before song is over he starts talking under it: at first thought it QRM! Can`t pull out what he says at first and this is the important bit. Paraphrasing - probably off the air in new year unless something changes, the last Letterbox ... more music, too loud at 2335, hope to reach out to you somehow ---. More music. 2343 ``always-by-your-side``

promo [really?], music. 2350 early s/off, and YL with skeds of some other, such as the 1730, but I think not all the English broadcasts, which they have avoided giving all season until now. 2351 IS, chopoff already at 2351.5* uncovering Chinese.

Tnx also to Ron Howard who recorded the significant announcement. And another report about this: ``Well, it was definitely mentioned on Letterbox on TRT that this could well be the last Letterbox broadcast unless decisions are changed by year end. The problem was, the producer did not pot down the music during the first part of the announcement making it impossible to understand if this was just letterbox going off the air or VoT altogether. Listening during the 2300 UTC broadcast December 29, 2024. 73 Mick Delmage, Sherwood Park, Alberta``

One more chance to hear this around 0430 UT on 6125, 7285, but could not make out any more detail. I emailed englishdesk@trt.net.tr and got this reply which was identical to that forwarded by several others, from: sehercemre.aytekin@trt.net.tr

``Dear Sir, Thank you for your e-mail, and we appreciate your concern regarding some changes at the Voice of Türkiye Radio going forward. We are currently undergoing a reorganization process, and we were told that TRT's all foreign broadcasts (VOT radio, multiple-language websites, and podcasts) will be consolidated under one roof, called TRT Global, which will be launched soon.

In this new structure, VOT English shortwave broadcasts will be handled by the TRT World channel in İstanbul. We, as the Voice of Türkiye English Desk, will not be going on the air. We will be in charge of translating and presenting several podcast series, which will be available through our newly planned online platforms.

About the VOT English shortwave transmissions (to be carried by TRT World) in the new term (no date has been set), we really have no idea what type of programming there will be. TRT VOT Arabic will face the same fate.

But, all other languages remain on the shortwave, and there might be new ones in the new term. I am personally sad about all this, but I still hope that it will be turned around at some point. You never know😊

We remain contactable at englishdesk@trt.net.tr All the best, EnglishDesk

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Kai Ludwig replies: ``The whole arrangement was pretty strange for years anyway. TRT launched one "new language service" after another, with Farsi being the most recent one.

https://www.intellinews.com/turkey-launches-persian-news-media-aimed-at-iran-359138

At the same time they keep the existing editorial teams but treat them in their PR as if they never existed. And all they are still supposed to run is linear radio, they are stripped of all other responsibilities, the websites have been handed over to the new teams. What purpose is this approach supposed to serve?

And new languages: Frankly, which ones to they consider as lacking?

http://ab27.bplaced.net/trt.pdf
(From 2022, but I don't think there have been major changes. All this output used to go out on shortwave, but not anymore since they closed the Ankara/Etimesgut station in 2009.) Kai Ludwig``

From Dave Kenny: ``Here's the full schedule for VOT English extracted from the BDXC Broadcasts in English database:

0400-0500 EuMEAm 6125 7285
1330-1430 Eu 13635
1730-1830 MEAs 9660
1930-2030 Eu 6050
2130-2230 AsAu 9610
2300-0000 EuAm 5960
73s Dave Caversham Berks``
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** TURKEY. 9610, Dec 30 at 2152, VOT English slightly better into Ireland SDR than UTwente, `The Energy Agenda` until 2154, music, 2157 `That`s Why`, the ``last episode`` about volcanoes and magma, such as Kilauea. 2204 music, 2209 fading down some, but UTwente exacted on 9610.005+. 2223.5 s/off as if 1330 on 13635. 2224 IS first notes only twice before chop. This could be the penultimate English if it`s all gone after Dec 31. I catch first part of same broadcast:

5960.016, Dec 30 at 2301, S9+10/30 into Ireland SDR showing it minus 16 Hz, olds now leading with Pres. Carter; switch to UTwente for correct plus offset, and better S9+25/35. 2313 music and `Review of the Turkish Press`, 2315 TRTVOTVorld.com promo as multilingual news, music. 2318 CCCCCCI has started, worse to Ireland, and `The Energy Agenda`. 2324 music. 2327 `That`s Why` as above, then only music until 2353 s/off; 2354, 6 notes of IS before chop* (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** TURKEY. 9610, Dec 31 at 2129, VP S7/S8 into UTwente, VOT, 2300 TS and opening, heavy splash from 9620. Even worse into Ireland SDR. At 2135 I get it VG S9+15/35 via New Delhi SDR, supposed target despite being 3 AM there, with olds. There is JBA lite musical CCI, presumaly Mongolian from China. 2140 `Review of the Turkish Press`. 2143 multi-lingual ID filler reel. 2145 `Special New Year Program` recounting some of the strange/funny stories of 2024. 2200 `Don`t Worry, Be Happy` song, more music. 2207 starts to fade down as CCI grows. 2212 ``always-by-your-side`` promo, music. 2217 ``with-you-every-hour`` promo, and immediately, `a-b-y-s`` again. 2218 unreadable announcement, could it be farewell? Never heard anything otherwise about this being final broadcast. 2220 song. I switch back to UTwente which is now much better, S9+5/15 on 9610.005+, music. 2223 s/off as if 1330 on 13635, 2224 IS to 2225*

5960.003+, Dec 31 at 2257, OCDA S9+40 into UTwente, 2259 starts IS and IDs for VOT. So it`s on but I`ve already heard most of the English hour from 2130. The 2218 ``announcement`` turns out to be just music when I check for it at 2348, 2353 s/off, 2354 IS to 2355.5* chop uncovering Chinese. We may know by tomorrow whether it survive (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** TURKEY. 9650, Jan 1 at 0536, TRT Turkish service is still on SW, music, S6/S8 direct but with heavy flutter.

Richard Langley reports: ``And last night (1 January UTC), the 0400 UT broadcast in English, which started about 8 minutes late and recorded here in NB, was the actual Voice of Turkey with usual sign-off ID and frequencies. Was this the last VoT broadcast in English?`` [6125, 7285]

Several who checked the 1330 English broadcast on 13635 found that VOT

programming had been replaced by soundtrack of TRT World TV! Per Jean-Michel Aubier; and: ``I presume this will be the case for all the scheduled VOT English programming from now on. They have lost me as a regular listener (since 1970), as I am not interested in the endless diet of news that their TV channel puts out. Alan Holder, G4ZBH, Isle of Wight, U.K.``

9660.017-, Jan 1 at 1730 tune-in, JIP some English discussion, 1732 about war in Gaza, S9+10/25 into UTwente with OTH radar? clickery 9650-9670. Segment seemed to be called ``My America``, of all things.

It does NOT match the TRT World live stream, about Vanuatu, Belize, climate change: ``NOW PLAYING -- JUST 2 DEGREES A rise of just two degrees in average temperatures means catastrophe for planet Earth. TRT World looks at the cold, hard truths behind a warming planet`` https://www.trtworld.com/live-stream

[and non] However at 2002 check Jan 1, 6050.003+ into UTwente is // the TRTWorld livestream report about the New Orleans truck attack. It seems this channel is not particularly focused on Turkey, and not unusual to hear American accents. By 2017 they are separate again. 2023 cut to fragment of VOT IS and chopoff, uncovering what else? Chinese, 2027 playing ``Let It Be``. Clearly the TRT TV audio programming source cannot fit well into the previous SW English hours! And I bet the TV folx are not about to pay any attention to SW turns on and off (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** TURKEY. 5960, Jan 1 at 2300, NO signal direct from TRT, nor at 2312, but there is algo on 9610, maybe overrun; I no longer have interest in keeping track of those (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U K Q O G B A N I. 5450 USB, Dec 31 at 0437, JBA deliberate talk, M and/or W robovoice? Most copiable word is ``visibility``. EiBi shows RAF VOLMET Military 1, from one of those several ``ic`` sites (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 400 MCW kHz, Dec 28 at 0718 UT, AHQ, Wahoo, Nebraska, NDB is JBA. Copied best tuned to 400.7 USB. RNA list shows 0 watts power, presumably a default when really unknown. DXinfocentre.com shows 25 watts. Wahoo is west of Omaha, north of Lincoln (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 10000, Dec 31 at 2355, WWV VG with timesignals. An annual event is axually earwitnessing the end of a UT year, 2024* at 0000 UT January 1, ``Zero hours, zero minutes, Coordinated Univeral Time``. Will tune it again 6 hours later for *2025y here, altho western half of OK should be on UT-7 by longitude (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 2274 monitoring: confirmed UT Thursday December 26 at 0130 on WRMI 5010, JBA carrier direct; S5/S7 into Brasília SDR.

Confirmed Thursday December 26 at 1730 on SW Radio, Germany, 3975.002-, S9+10 into UTwente.

WORLD OF RADIO 2275 contents: (Armenia), Austria, Brasil, Canada, China and non, Congo DR, Cuba, Egypt, Germany and non, (Guadeloupe), (Guiana French), Iran, Israel, Korea South, Kurdistan non, Laos, Madagascar, Nigeria, North America, Norway, Pridnestrovie, Puerto Rico and non, Romania, Russia, (St. Eustatius), (St. Lucia), Spain, (Trinidad & Tobago), (Turkey), UK, USA, (Uzbekistan), Vanuatu; propagation outlook - (countries mentioned along with others not in order)

WOR 2275 available from 0206 UT Friday December 27:
(mp3 stream) https://www.w4uvh.net/wor2275.m3u
(mp3 download) https://www.w4uvh.net/wor2275.mp3
Or via http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html
Also linx to podcast services.

Full schedule: http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html

1300 UT Friday WRMI 15770;
2130 UT Friday IRRS 1323-Italy;
2300 UT Friday WRMI 9955 to SSE [also web-, phonecast; jammed?];
2330 UT Friday SW Radio, Germany 3975;
0400 UT Saturday WTWW 5085 [has been off the air];
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1530 UT Saturday SW Radio, Germany 6160;
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2000 UT Sunday IRRS 1323-Italy;
2230 UT Sunday SW Radio, Germany 3975;
2330 UT Sunday WRMI 7570 to NW [or 7780, last 8 weeks];
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0930 UT Monday SW Radio, Germany 6160;
2030 UT Monday SW Radio, Germany 3975;
0330 UT Tuesday WRMI 7780 to SW;
1400 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955 to SSE [also web-, phonecast; jammed?];
1500 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955 to SSE [also web-, phonecast; jammed?];
2100 UT Tuesday IRRS 1323-Italy;
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** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 2275 monitoring: confirmed first SWBC, Friday December 27 at 1317 the 1300 on WRMI 15770, S9 direct but noisy.

Confirmed Friday December 27 at 2130 on IRRS SW via AM Italia, 1322.999- kHz, S9+5 into UTwente. Also WRMI webcast only. Next:

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0130 UT Thursday WRMI 5010 to S;
1730 UT Thursday SW Radio, Germany 3975.
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 2275 monitoring: confirmed Friday December 27 at 2300 on WRMI 9955, S9+10/12 direct and undermodulated.

Also confirmed Friday December 27 at 2333 the 2330 on SW Radio, Germany, 3975.002, S7/S8 and noisy into UTwente.

Not confirmed UT Saturday December 28 at 0400 on WTWW 5085, which remains totally off the air.

Confirmed Saturday December 28 at 1547 the 1530 on SW Radio, Germany, 6160.001+, S9+10/15 into UTwente, with ACI from 6165, CRI Pashto via Urumqi; evitable by LSB tuning/narrowed bandwidth.

Also confirmed Saturday December 28 at 1718 the 1700 on WRN North America stream.

Also confirmed Saturday December 28 at 1830 on SW Radio, Germany, 3975.002, S9/+10 but noisy into UTwente.

Also confirmed Saturday December 28 at 2030 on WA0RCR, 1860 AM, MO, S9+20 into nearby SDR, already 22 minutes into so must have started way early about 2008. Next:

0000 UT Sunday WTWW 9475 [suspended];
0100 UT Sunday WRMI 9955 to SSE [also web-, phonecast; jammed?];
0330vUT Sunday WA0RCR 1860-AM [nominal 0415; as late as 0600];
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0130 UT Thursday WRMI 5010 to S;
1730 UT Thursday SW Radio, Germany 3975.
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 2275 monitoring: confirmed UT Sunday December 29 at 0100 on WRMI 9955, S8/9+5 into Bonaire with lite pulse jamming - yes, that still happens to non-exile programming on 9955.

Also confirmed UT Sunday December 29 starting at 0510.5 UT until 0539.5, S9+20 into nearby SDR: WA0RCR, 1860 AM, MO, way late after nominal 0415. Houston Hamsat net of variable length nominal 0330 did not start until 0405.

Also confirmed Sunday December 29 at 2000 on IRRS SW via AM Italia, 1322.999-, S7/8 and noisy into UTwente. Next:

2230 UT Sunday SW Radio, Germany 3975;
2330 UT Sunday WRMI 7570 to NW [or 7780, last 8 weeks];
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(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 2275 monitoring: confirmed Sunday December 29 at 2234 the 2230 on SW Radio, Germany, 3975.002, JBA into UTwente; but much better into Sligo, Ireland SDR as if on 3974.980, must be mis-calibrated.

Also confirmed Sunday December 29 at 2330 on WRMI 7570, S8/9+10 into Georgia SDR, finally on scheduled frequency, but now *also* on alternate 7780. At 2352 check, intermittent 2-way CCI in unknown language on 7780-USB! Just before at 2325, Wavescan was wrapping up with an Indian DX report.

Also confirmed UT Monday December 30 at 0030 on WRMI 7780, S9/+10 into Georgia, the scheduled frequency and not on 7570. And as usual 7780 better S9+10/15 into south TX SDR.

Also confirmed UT Monday December 30 at 0400 on Area 51 via WBCQ 6159.95 approx., S9+10 direct but JBA vs noise level. Next:

2030 UT Monday SW Radio, Germany 3975;
0330 UT Tuesday WRMI 7780 to SW;
1400 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955 to SSE [also web-, phonecast; jammed?];
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1730 UT Thursday SW Radio, Germany 3975.
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 2275 monitoring: confirmed Monday December 30 at 2035 the 2030 on SW Radio, Germany, 3975, JBA into UTwente, but S6/7 into Ireland SDR but with some storm crashes from

Blitz no closer than SE Spain and Palestine.

Also confirmed UT Tuesday December 31 at 0330 on WRMI 7780, S9/+12 into S TX SDR.

Also confirmed Tuesday December 31 at 1312 the 1400 on WRMI 9955, JBA direct.

Not confirmed Tue Dec 31 at 1502 the 1500 on WRMI 9955, JBA sounds rather like Brother Scare, like much stronger TOMBS via WWCR 9980. It was always strange to have WOR sked already only one hour later than previous airing. Still shown with both on the System B skedgrid, so what will happen next week/month/year?

Also confirmed Tuesday December 31 at 2100 on IRRS SW via AM Italia, 1322.999-, S9 but noisy into UTwente. Unknown program about propaganda about to quote Noam Chomsky was chopped short before 2100. Next:

0030 UT Wednesday WRMI 9395 to NNW;
0030 UT Wednesday SW Radio, Germany 3975;
2030 UT Wednesday SW Radio, Germany 3975;
2200 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v to WSW;
0130 UT Thursday WRMI 5010 to S;
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(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 2275 monitoring: ``From: Richard Lemke, St. Albert, Alberta, Canada, the desk of Richard’s listening Post, Radio: JRC NRD-535 HF, Antenna: random long wires in the trees. Hello Glenn: Happy Holidays, WRMI, USA, World of Radio #2275, 9395 kHz, 0030, 0044, 0057, 0058 (55434), 0059, January 1 UTC 2025 [Wed] (Lemke, Richard -AB)``

Confirmed UT Wednesday January 1 at 0030 on WRMI 9395, S9+12 into Maryland SDR.

Also confirmed UT Wednesday January 1 at 0030 on SW Radio, Germany, 3975.001+, s8/S9 into UTwente.

Not confirmed Wednesday January 1 at 2030 on SW Radio, Germany, 3975: NO signal into UTwente, Ireland or Italy, maybe due to K index of 8.

Confirmed Wednesday January 1 at 2200 on WBCQ 7490-, VG S9/+10 into Maryland SDR. Next:

0130 UT Thursday WRMI 5010 to S {confirmed};
1730 UT Thursday SW Radio, Germany 3975.

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** U S A. 5085, WTWW situation, not heard for a few days? ``Glenn, The driver solid state amplifier went out, I replaced the final IC and it ran for only one hour and died. The back up amplifier lasted for only 5 minutes. I am waiting on parts from China. I expect we will be down at least for a week. George McClintock 1-1-2025`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 5920, Dec 31 at 0440, TOMBS is S9+50 from WTWW-1, yet neighbor on the dial and on the land, 5935, WWCR-2 with PMS is much weaker, only S9+20/30, so on low power? There had not been any

significant difference before, altho azimuths may be diverse. It`s not at all clear where lie the major lobes of either.

5890, WWCR-4 is also on at 0443, S9+50 with squeals, but the usual leapfrog over 5935 attains nothing more than a JBA carrier (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 5935, Dec 26 at 0736, WWCR DGS is unusually weak, only S8/S9 direct, so the accompanying gunk is lessened. Normally blasts in, so if full power, propagation MUF/skip zone to blame. Meanwhile 5850 WRMI with TOMBS is S9+25/30, sufficiently far (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 15825, Jan 1 at 1555, NO signal from WWCR-1, while at 1559 the others are: 13845 JBA, 12160 signing on loud, 9980 loud. John Jurasek reported on Dec 31 that WWCR had taken #1 off the air completely, no longer 15825, 6115, or 3215! And the updated transmitter and program skeds now show that:
https://www.wwcr.com/transmitter-sched.html
https://www.wwcr.com/program-guides/WWCR_Program_Guide.pdf

This has led to lots of programming changes, some of the #1 ones moved to the others. Alan Roe observes that many of the music shows have been cut. I see that `The Talking [sic] Machine Show` is still on there, Sats 1800-1830 on 12160. At 2316 Jan 1, no signal on 6115 direct. Why take this drastic step? #1 transmitter seemed to have been OK, in fact cleaner than the others. I hear that WWCR profits have been plummeting, so taking one transmitter completely down should help the bottom line (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 7490 -76 Hz = 7489.924, UT Sat Dec 28 at 0100, on caradio while visiting Enid Xmas light and sound show, sporadic monitoring of `AAAWWW` on WBCQ. Like recently, inserts more music bits than before, as chosen by Angela and played from Allan`s phone. Starting with ``Let`s Celebrate`` tune. At 0111 says on 7490 and hopes also on 5130, this being 27th of December, YOOLF 2024. At some point referred to 2025 changes upcoming, including TOMBS is leaving 6160. Did anyone copy anything further about those? 0125 notes new issue of Free Radio Weekly has come in, saving to refer to later. Which he is doing at 0153 when I retune at home via Maryland SDR when measured, S9/+20. At 0155 mentions briefly my Oklahoma pirates on 95.1 and 1670, with no further details whatsoever. Finished slightly after 0200 JIP Hal Turner. I also found // 5130 -26 Hz = 5129.974, S7/S9 into Maryland (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 6160-, Jan 1 at 0742, no signal from WBCQ. This transmitter had been weakened, and on Dec 28, `AAAWWW` said The Overcomer would no longer be on it this year. Sked indeed does not show any of that now:
http://wbcq.com/schedule/index.php?fn=sked&freq=6160
but I`m not sure it properly did before. TOMBS only shows at various hours on 7490. The question is, what programming if any remains on 6160; Area 51? And who is that voice we hear when not running very stale tapes of deceased Brother Scare? TOM website mentions a ``Pastor Rice``. Another check at 2200 Jan 1, no signal from 6160 into Maryland SDR, let alone direct (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 7570, Dec 26 at 0736, this WRMI-11 is on for a change, S9+30 direct with TOMBS. Nominal hours are only 2300-0400. On 315 NW azimuth, bigsig here unlike 7730 to NE & 7780 to SW (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 9395, Dec 26 at 0737, Supreme Master TV via WRMI with lengthy listing of its platforms, even `Truth [sic] Social`, but never mentions SW or WRMI! (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 7570, Dec 27 at 0740, Scourby Bible-declaring within TOMBS,

then kidsing, as this WRMI continues to show at unscheduled hours, huge signal on NW antenna, like // 5850; and // much weakers 7730, 7780, 9395, 9955. Yet 7570 has continued to be absent Sundays at 2330 when needed for WOR, instead on 7780. Maybe this week? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR) {Yes, both for a change}

** U S A. 9395, Dec 31 at 0445, WRMI-6 is unusually OFF; supposedly 24 hours. While 9955, WRMI-3 is S9+20/30 with TOMBS. By recheck 0738, 9395 is back ON, S9+30/40, while 9955 is a JBA carrier. 9455, WRMI-5 remains off for a long time now (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 26110 NBFM, Dec 31 at 1634 UT, KMK282 finally audible again, the auxiliary of KOVR ``13``, Stockton-Sacramento, about NYE preps. At S7 it`s quite scratchy but readable. 1636 northern California weather including 39 degrees in Sacramento, ``here in the Valley``. Growing to S8, less scratchy, and almost clear at S9 peak before 1640 fading down. DXers further east have been reporting this a lot lately, but no luck here. In fact, my last definite log was Nov 28, *2023* at 1605. It seems I`m too close for F2 prop, need sporadic E. 6M Map shows a 43 MHz Es MUF spot over southern Utah, maybe responsible for this (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 550, Dec 30 at 0700 UT, ``KCRS, Midland-Odessa`` ID and Fox `news`. This on a portable mounted against a wall such that it nulls E/W, favors N/S. I don`t often hear this U4 5/1 kW TX station. Night pattern has deep null thisaway, but not the day pattern. 0734 still dominant into main receiver on E/W longwire, ``Largest coverage area of any station in the Permian Basin, 55 Newstalk KCRS``. KTRS St Louis usually has edge here; KFRM KS owns day, loses night; KTSA San Antonio unfavorable pattern (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 660, Dec 27 at 0535 UT, immediately at tune-in, full ID in English from KTNN, also 101.5, then C&W music. Bigsig, obviously not nulling toward New York, loud and clear, even moreso than neighbors 650 WSM TN and 670 WSCR IL - that should take some doing. On other occasions, little or nosig from KTNN when does go direxional as legal (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 660, Dec 30 at 0754 UT, KTNN fails not to protect WFAN, but JBA signal at tuneby mentions Window Rock, Page (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 1069.9761, Dec 30 at 0758 UT, C&W music always with annoying LAH at night, 0800 ``now another hour of Classic Country, KFTI`` ID for Wichita. Has been off-frequency minus for ages, not noticeable in daytime with nothing to het, but makes it tough for KNX at night, even tho close to right angle apart. I mentioned this previously in an IRCA discussion about some other station on the plus side, to which this reply Dec 25: ``Offsets 1070 --- I've got KTFI {sic} at 1069.9761 this morning. Rob Keeney, West Union SC``. Further interesting discussion about its callsign history follows from here:
https://groups.io/g/IRCA/topic/110280906#msg45433
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 1570, Dec 30 at 0457 UT, QRM with English religion to XERF, more or less mutually nullable. Must be KBCV Hollister MO, site near Branson, 5/3 kW, night pattern pulled in toward XERF but plenty signal thisaway, outro with a Dallas address, of Pathway to Victory weekend edition. It`s a Bott station but not //800 KBCV, so they are not all running same stuff at same time (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. 1650 kHz, Dec 27 at 0527 UT, dominant signal in Spanish sports hyper-enthusiasm, so must be El Paso KSVE, which I assume originally connoted ``suave``. No ID heard, of course, but the only other SS on 1650 is the gospel huxter in Colorado. Still fails to fill

overnight hours with continuous tone. I thought it was one pitch, but at Octoberend, Tim Hall`s NV/UT border DX said ``1650 KSVE TX, El Paso. 10/25 0604 - Still broadcasting a very loud trio of continuous tones (400, 800 and 1200 Hz) during the overnight hours. A DX test every night! 662 miles.`` However, Tim`s other Magnum Opus, the 2024 IRCA Mexican Log, shows a CP on 1650 in CDMX for a Radio Congreso with the appropriate call XECPCM (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** U S A. (90.3), I like to listen to `Film At Five` on WCLV Cleveland webcast, Saturdays at 22-23 UT = 5 pm EST, cinemamusic, but Dec 28 a different such show, `The Film Score` from WFMT network. Still on the WCLV sked for today is F@5, so maybe a temp holiday substitute? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

** VATICAN. Re my previous report: Gianni Serra, Roma, directs us to where VR SHORTWAVE schedules may be found:
https://www.vaticannews.va/en/short-waves.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1230, Dec 29 at 0725 UT, one signal atop the graveyard pileup, with C2CAM, // 1110 & 1100. Guess is my nearest, WBBZ Ponca City OK, U1 1000/1000. 79 km = 49 miles city-to-city. Normally not enough to dominate. It`s one of countless, or rather uncounted, C2CAM affils on 1230 per NRC AM Log. See also unID 1580 (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, WOR)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1580, Dec 29 at 0715 UT, S9+33 strong and steady open carrier atop some Mexmx, most likely KFCS CO; NO Mexies on 1580, XEDM Hermosillo long gone. Guess is my nearest, KOKB Blackwell OK, U1 1000/49 watts. Normally not heard at night even when modulating. 70 km = 44 miles city-to-city. See also unID 1230 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1670, Dec 31 at 0748 UT, distorted signal in mix. Earlier on Dec 30, last check of Virtual DJ Radio, Enid, it was OK. Both it and Reynosa have been somewhat off-frequency plus, and at night I usually detect at least two signals significant Hz apart. IRCA Mexican Log says of XEFCR: ``slightly off-frequency 1670.03 to 1670.05 in 2023`` and someone recently had it on 1670.04 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7370-7375-7380, Dec 30 at 0450, DRM noise S9+20. Nothing listed anywhere. Might suspect Romania, on 7375 AM elsewhen, except two AM frequencies already accounted for now, 7410 & 9510, q.v.. Maybe another sporadic test from TDF FRANCE (Glenn Hauser, OK, WOR)